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SUBJECT: IEA: AD HOC GROUP ON ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT

1. SECRETARIAT HAS CIRCULATED FOLLOWING AGENDA AND
NOTE FOR MEETING TO BE HELD MARCH 24-26.

2. BEGIN TEXT: AGENDA

1. FINALIZATION OF REVIEW CRITERIA AND
PROCEDURES (IEA/SLT(75)31)

2. EXAMINATION OF REPLIES BY COUNTRIES TO
QUESTIONNAIRE (IEA/SLT(75)29)

3. OTHER BUSINESS (TO BE DECIDED UPON IN LIGHT OF
A POSSIBLE GOVERNING BOARD DECISION DURING ITS MEETING
ON 19TH AND 20TH MARCH 1975) END TEXT

3. BEGIN TEXT: (NOTE BY THE CHAIRMAN)

1. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE AD HOC GROUP ON
ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES
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WILL BE HELD OVER THREE DAYS, BEGINNING ON MONDAY, 24TH

MARCH, 1975, AT 10:30 A.M. IN ROOM 2 OF THE NEW BUILDING.

2. THE EASIEST OF OUR TASKS WILL BE THE FINALIZATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE STANDING GROUP ON LONG-TERM COOPERATION AS REGARDS THE CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES TO BE USED FOR REVIEWS. HERE THE SLT HAS DISCUSSED THE PROGRESS WE HAVE ALREADY MADE, REPORTED IN MY REPORT TO THE SLT OF 19TH FEBRUARY (IEA/SLT(75)22) AND HAS MADE SOME AMENDMENTS. THE SECRETARIAT WILL CIRCULATE PRIOR TO THE MEETING A REVISED LIST OF CRITERIA, TAKING ACCOUNT OF THE SLT'S AMENDMENTS. I SUGGEST THAT WE SHOULD SPEND NO MORE THAN HALF A DAY ON CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES AT THE START OF OUR MEETING, AND THEN INVITE THE SECRETARIAT TO DRAFT OUR FINAL REPORT ON THIS SUBJECT WHILE WE CARRY ON WITH OTHER BUSINESS.

3. I SUGGEST THAT THE BULK OF OUR MEETING SHOULD THEN BE DEVOTED TO A FULL STUDY OF THE SIXTEEN ANSWERS WHICH HAVE BEEN RECEIVED TO OUR QUESTIONNAIRE ON ALTERNATIVE SOURCES, AND WHICH HAVE BEEN CIRCULATED TO ALL DELEGATIONS. IT SEEMS UNLIKELY THAT WE WILL BE ABLE TO ACHIEVE THIS STUDY, TOGETHER WITH ANY OTHER BUSINESS WE HAVE, WITHIN TWO DAYS, WHICH IS WHY I HAVE PROVIDED FOR A THIRD DAY FOR THE MEETING.

4. THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES WILL NEED EXAMINATION FROM TWO ASPECTS: FIRST, WE SHALL HAVE TO ELUCIDATE ANY DIFFICULTIES THAT ARISE IN THE INTERPRETATION, AND, WHERE NECESSARY, MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO THE ANSWERS SO THAT IT IS POSSIBLE TO COMPARE THE FIGURES OF DIFFERENT COUNTRIES WITH ONE ANOTHER. THE SECRETARIAT'S STUDY OF THE PAPERS HAS BROUGHT TO LIGHT A NUMBER OF DIFFICULTIES, AND WE SHALL BE CIRCULATING A NOTE ABOUT THESE, TOGETHER WITH AN ATTEMPTED COLLATION OF THE ANSWERS, WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS.

5. I SEE IT AS A MAIN TASK OF THE AD HOC GROUP TO ESTABLISH AS CLEAR AND DETAILED A COLLATION OF THE ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOURCES THAT MIGHT BE DEVELOPED BY AGENCY COUNTRIES' AND THEIR COST.

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6. SECONDLY, WE OUGHT IN MY VIEW TO LOOK AT THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF ON-GOING WORK OF THE AGENCY ON ACCELERATED SOURCES. FOR EXAMPLE, CAN WE, AT THIS STAGE, BEGIN IDENTIFYING WHICH PROJECTS OR CLASSES OF PROJECTS COULD BENEFIT BY COOPERATION (ITEM 1(A) OF OUR PRELIMINARY TERMS OF REFERENCE) OR DO WE NEED, IN ORDER TO DO THIS, MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ABOUT THE POTENTIAL PRODUCTION AND COST OF INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS, AS OPPOSED TO GENERALIZED INFORMATION ABOUT AREAS? OR AGAIN, IF WE ARE NOT YET ABLE (AS I CAN BELIEVE TO BE THE CASE) TO DERIVE ANYTHING LIKE SUPPLY CURVES FROM THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES (AS THE SLT WOULD LIKE), WHAT FURTHER INFORMATION DO WE NEED TO HELP US TO DERIVE SUCH CURVES?

7. AN EXAMINATION OF THE COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES AS PROPOSED, EMBRACING BOTH THEIR COLLATION AND AMPLIFICATION (TO THE EXTENT THAT THIS IS APPROPRIATE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AND POSSIBLE), AND AN ATTEMPT TO BASE ON THEM FURTHER WORK BY THE AGENCY ON ALTERNATIVE SOURCE PROGRAMMES; AND WE HAVE NOT, SO FAR, BEEN CHARGED TO UNDERTAKE ANY SUCH REVIEW FOR THE CURRENT YEAR. NEVERTHELESS, THE WORK WE SHALL BE DOING WILL GIVE EACH COUNTRY A GOOD INSIGHT INTO THE PROGRAMS AND PROBLEMS OF OTHER COUNTRIES; AND IT MIGHT TEACH US SOME LESSONS AS TO THE BEST WAY TO CONDUCT REVIEWS. I SUGGEST, THEREFORE, THAT, AT THE END OF OUR EXAMINATION, WE SHOULD HAVE A LAST LOOK AT THE REVIEW CRITERIA AND PROCEDURES, ON THE BASIS OF THE

PAPER WHICH THE SECRETARIAT WOULD HAVE BEEN ASKED TO
PREPARE DURING THE FIRST DAY, TO SEE IF ANY CHANGES
SEEM ADVISABLE. END TEXT
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